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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

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Takeda TAKANOBU et al.

Serial No.: 09/800,512

Examiner: Sin J. Lee

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Title: CHEMICAL AMPLIFICATION RESIST COMPOSITIONS

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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed December 18, 2002, it is requested that the above-identified application be amended as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Amend claims 1, 5, 9 and 13 to read as follows (a marked up version of the amended claims is in an appendix attached hereto):

1. (Twice Amended) A chemical amplification type resist composition comprising a polymeric mixture of a polymer comprising recurring units of the general formula (1) and having a weight average molecular weight of 1,000 to 500,000 and a polymer comprising recurring units of the general formula (2) and having a weight average molecular weight of 1,000 to 500,000,

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